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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
 Application No. 09/827,937; Filed: April 9, 2001
 For: **Human G-Protein Coupled Receptors**
 Inventors: *Li et al.*
 Our Ref: 1488.1220003/EKS/PAJ

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, including Exhibits A-G; and
2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated May 13, 2005, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) Each section begins on a separate sheet;
- (B) Starting on a separate sheet, Amendments to the specification by presenting replacement paragraphs marked up to show the changes made; and
- (C) Starting on a separate sheet, the Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application,

then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.